

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

- v. -

SHAHRAM KETABCHI,
a/k/a "Steve Ketabchi,"

Defendant.

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: PRELIMINARY ORDER OF
FORFEITURE/
: MONEY JUDGMENT

: S8 17 Cr. 243 (SHS)

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WHEREAS, on or about September 20, 2018, SHAHRAM KETABCHI, a/k/a "Steve Ketabchi," (the "defendant"), and another, was charged in a two-count Superseding Indictment, S8 17 Cr. 243 (SHS) (the "Indictment"), with conspiracy to commit wire fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1349 (Count One); and conspiracy to commit money laundering, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(h) (Count Two);

WHEREAS, the Indictment included a forfeiture allegation as to Count One of the Indictment, seeking forfeiture to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C) and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), of any and all property, real and personal, that constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to the commission of the offense charged in Count One of the Indictment, including but not limited to a sum of money in United States currency

representing the amount of proceeds traceable to the commission of the offense charged in Count One of the Indictment;

WHEREAS, the Indictment included a forfeiture allegation as to Count Two of the Indictment, seeking forfeiture to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(a)(1), of any and all property, real and personal, involved in the offense charged in Count Two of the Indictment, or any property traceable to such property, including but not limited to a sum of money in United States currency representing the amount of property involved in the offense charged in Count Two of the Indictment;

WHEREAS, on or about November 7, 2018, the defendant was found guilty, following a jury trial, of Counts One and Two of the Indictment;

WHEREAS, on or about March 28, 2019, the defendant was sentenced and ordered to forfeit a money judgment in the amount of \$30,825.00 in United States currency representing the amount of proceeds traceable to the offenses charged in Counts One and Two of the Indictment that the defendant personally obtained; and

WHEREAS, as a result of acts and/or omissions of the defendant, the proceeds traceable to the offenses charged in Counts One and Two of the Indictment that the defendant personally obtained cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED THAT:

1. As a result of the offenses charged in Counts One and Two of the Indictment, for which the defendant was found guilty at trial, a money judgment in the amount of \$30,825.00 in United States currency (the "Money Judgment"), representing the amount of proceeds traceable to the offenses charged in Counts One and Two of the Indictment that the defendant personally obtained, shall be entered against the defendant.

2. Pursuant to Rule 32.2(b)(4) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, this Preliminary Order of Forfeiture/Money Judgment is final as to the defendant, SHAHRAM KETABCHI, and shall be deemed part of the sentence of the defendant, and shall be included in the judgment of conviction therewith.

3. All payments on the outstanding money judgment shall be made by postal money order, bank or certified check, made payable, in this instance, to United States Customs and Border Protection, and delivered by mail to the United States Attorney's Office, Southern District of New York, Attn: Money Laundering and Transnational Criminal Enterprises Unit, One St. Andrew's Plaza, New York, New York 10007 and shall indicate the defendant's name and case number.

4. United States Customs and Border Protection is authorized to deposit the payment on the Money Judgment in the Treasury Assets Forfeiture Fund, and the United States shall have clear title to such forfeited property.

5. Pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), the United States is authorized to seek forfeiture of substitute assets of the defendant up to the uncollected amount of the Money Judgment.

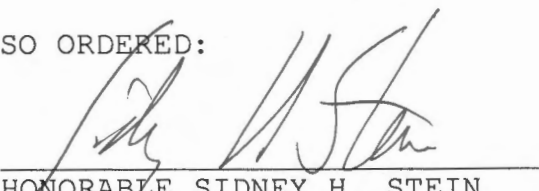
6. Pursuant to Rule 32.2(b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, the United States Attorney's Office is authorized to conduct any discovery needed to identify, locate or dispose of forfeitable property, including depositions, interrogatories, requests for production of documents and the issuance of subpoenas.

7. The Court shall retain jurisdiction to enforce this Preliminary Order of Forfeiture/Money Judgment, and to amend it as necessary, pursuant to Rule 32.2 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

8. The Clerk of the Court shall forward three certified copies of this Preliminary Order of Forfeiture/Money Judgment to Assistant United States Attorney Alexander J. Wilson, Co-Chief of the Money Laundering and Transnational Criminal Enterprises Unit, United States Attorney's Office, One St. Andrew's Plaza, New York, New York 10007.

Dated: New York, New York
March²⁹, 2019

SO ORDERED:



HONORABLE SIDNEY H. STEIN
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE